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FOR: HUMAN LINEAGE COMMITTED CELL COMPOSITION WITH ENHANCED PROLIFERATIVE POTENTIAL, BIOLOGICAL EFFECTOR FUNCTION,

OR BOTH; METHODS FOR OBTAINING

SAME; AND THEIR USES

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.